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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
BRIGITTE BATHE, ET AL. : EXAMINER: FRONDA, C.
SERIAL NO: 09/919,835 :
FILED: AUGUST 2, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1652
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AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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